

CALIFORNIA REGIONAL WATER QUALITY CONTROL BOARD
SAN FRANCISCO BAY REGION

ORDER NO. 97-052

RESCISSION OF SITE CLEANUP REQUIREMENTS, ORDER NO. 92-068 FOR:

PACIFIC NURSERY POTS, INCORPORATED

for the property located at the

**1015 MARTIN AVENUE FACILITY
SANTA CLARA, SANTA CLARA COUNTY**

The California Regional Water Quality Control Board, San Francisco Bay Region (hereinafter called the Board), finds that:

Site Description

1. Pacific Nursery Pots, Incorporated, (PNP) owns the property located at 1015 Martin Avenue in Santa Clara (Figure 1). Eight structures are located on the 4.5 acre property Santa Clara County parcel No. 224-10-118, and are identified by the addresses 1015, 1027, 1031, 1033, 1037, 1039, 1043, and 1045 Martin Avenue (Figure 2). Various tenants occupy these structures.

Site History

2. PNP has produced plant containers at this location between 1959 and 1985. Prior to 1959, the PNP structure at 1027 Martin was used as a fish cannery, and has since been used by K Auto Body, Don Roberts Enterprises, and other auto body and vehicle repair shops. Other tenant activities in other structures on site do not appear to have contributed to site pollution.

Gasoline and diesel, and stoddard paint thinner, were stored in five underground tanks at the site. The five tanks include one 10,000 gallon thinner tank, two 10,000 gallon diesel tanks, and two gasoline tanks of uncertain capacity. Some or all of the five tanks were determined to have leaked. Subsequently all five tanks and some of the associated polluted soil were removed in March 1985.

3. In December of 1995 a groundwater treatment and extraction remediation system was implemented. The system uses groundwater recirculation and soil flushing to increase the recovery of the impacting constituents. Approximately 80 percent of extracted groundwater is reinjected rather than discharged.

Regulatory History

4. On June 17, 1992, the Board adopted Site Cleanup Requirements Order No. 92-068, rescinding Waste Discharge Requirements, Order No. 85-105, adopted on September 18, 1985.

On November 8, 1996, the Santa Clara Valley Water District (SCVWD) requested that they be reinstated as the lead agency for oversight at the PNP facility. On January 15, 1997, Board staff acknowledged that it was appropriate for the SCVWD to provide the remaining oversight for the PNP facility given that the site investigation and remediation is dictated by UST and fuel hydrocarbon contamination.

Basin Plan

5. The Board adopted a revised Water Quality Control Plan for the San Francisco Bay Basin (Basin Plan) on June 21, 1995. This updated and consolidated plan represents the Board's master water quality control planning document. The revised Basin Plan was approved by the State Water Resources Control Board and the Office of Administrative Law on July 20, 1995, and November 13, 1995, respectively. A summary of regulatory provisions is contained in 23 CCR 3912. The Basin Plan defines beneficial uses and water quality objectives for waters of the State, including surface waters and groundwater.
6. The existing and potential beneficial uses of the groundwater underlying and adjacent to the PNP facility include:
 - a. Industrial process water supply,
 - b. Industrial service water supply,
 - c. Municipal and Domestic water supply, and
 - d. Agricultural water supply.

Basis for Rescission of Order

7. The Board establishes the overall cleanup level for a water body based upon the most sensitive beneficial use identified. In all cases, the Board first considers high quality or naturally occurring "background" concentration objectives as the cleanup levels for polluted groundwater with a beneficial use of municipal and domestic supply, such as at this site.
8. The SCVWD acknowledges that PNP is willing to continue with investigation and remediation of the soil and groundwater contamination at the site. In addition the

SCVWD will continue to provide oversight of the soil and groundwater investigation and remediation.

CEQA

9. This action constitutes a minor modification to land and as such is categorically exempt from the provisions of the CEQA pursuant to Section 15321 of the Resources Agency Guidelines.

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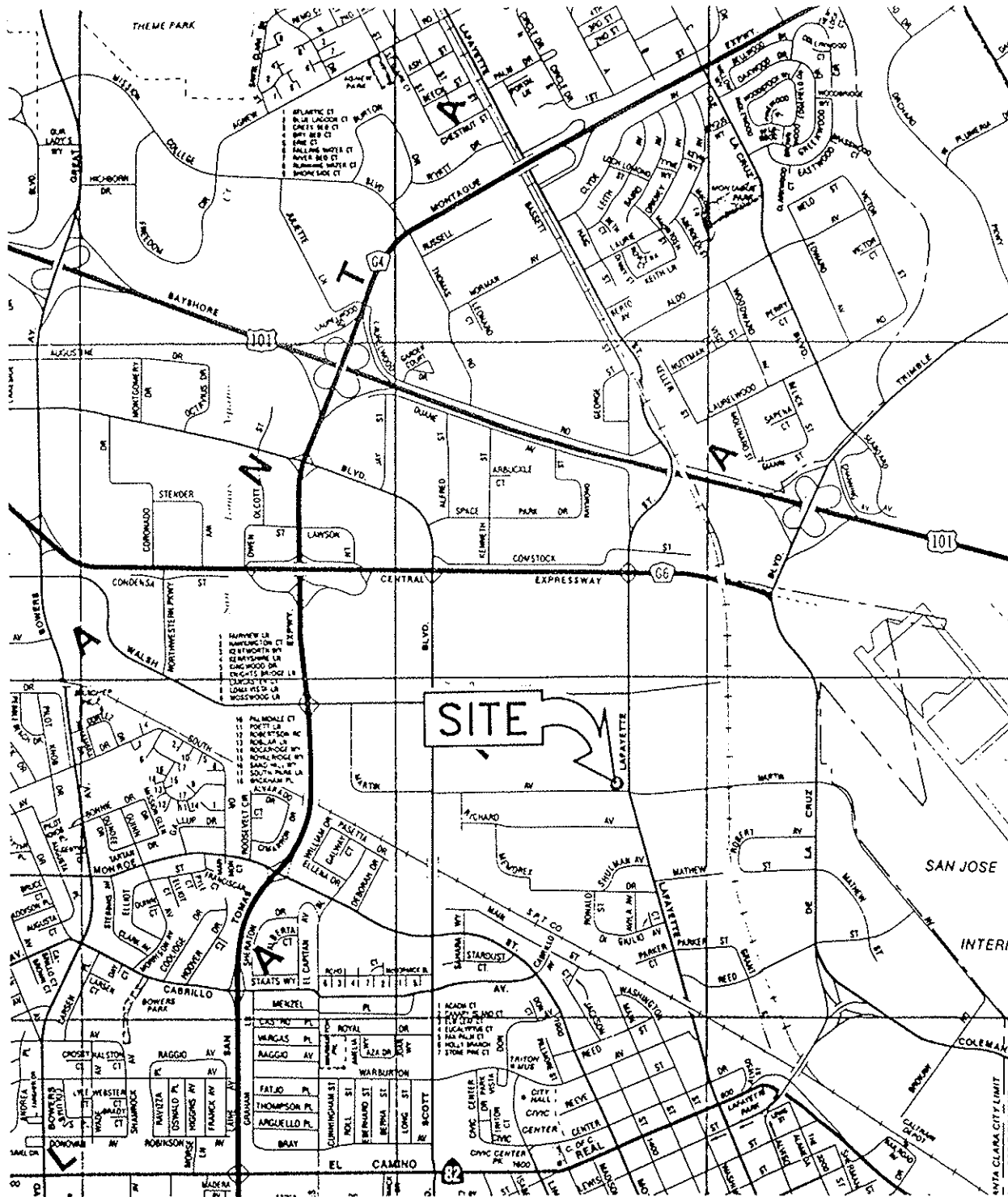
10. The Board has notified the dischargers and interested persons of its intent to rescind Site Cleanup Requirements for this site and has provided them with the opportunity for a public hearing and opportunity to submit their written views and recommendations.
11. The Board, in a public meeting, heard and considered all comments pertaining to the discharge.

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED, pursuant to Section 13304 of the California Water Code, that Site Cleanup Requirements, Order No. 92-068 is rescinded.

I, Loretta K. Barsamian, Executive Officer, do hereby certify that the foregoing is a full, true and correct copy of an Order adopted by the California Regional Water Quality Control Board, San Francisco Bay Region, on April 16, 1997.



Loretta K. Barsamian
Executive Officer



BASE MAP REFERENCE:

CALIFORNIA STATE AUTOMOBILE ASSOCIATION.
NORTHERN SAN JOSE MAP, SANTA CLARA
COUNTY, CALIFORNIA. REVISED JANUARY, 1991.

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INTERIM REMEDIAL ACTION WORKPLAN
1015 MARTIN AVENUE
SANTA CLARA, CALIFORNIA

FIGURE

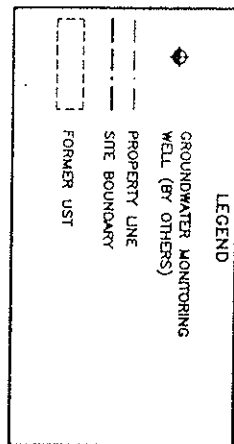
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